

**Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 27, 2021**

**In Attendance:** Brian Beney, Erin Agnello, Chantel Franklin, Lisa Windling, Melissa Turner, Mel Quint, Suzanne Krahn, Jamie Enns

**March & April Meeting Minutes**

March - Motion to Approve: Mel Quint, Seconded by Lisa Windling

April - Motion to Approve: Mel Quint, Seconded by Lisa Windling

**WRAPSC Update from May 4th Meeting**

Chantel has not received the meeting minutes at this time, but she will forward them along.

- John Bryant (Director of Education) joined to accept an acknowledgement and thank you for his work in the WRDSB. He is retiring at the end of this school year.
- Reminder to complete the survey in the search for a new Director (Chantel posted this on our School Council FB page)
- Update for French Immersion Review Committee - this review is in phase 3 - reflection and planning - parent voice & engagement will occur during this time; keep your eyes peeled if you would like to share your opinion
- WRDSB Board reps gave an overview for school fundraising (more info will come in minutes)
- Parent Reaching Out Grant - more info will come out, but they are looking at 2021-22 school year to have \$69,000 available - Councils will be engaged in the fall regarding this money)
- Trustee Lori Tremble (see slides re: Proposal to Expand Access to Online Education) presentation
- WRDSB now has a Human Rights & Equity Department

**Proposal to Expand Access to Online Education**

- See slideshow that Chantel sent earlier this week
- Discussion was had as to whether or not we want to send the letter, gather more parent feedback from the community etc.
- Brian has requested the Chantel find out from the head of WRAPSC if we can share the slideshow from the trustees - we need to remember that the information came from the media
- Important to remember that there are many stakeholders that have sent letters already (see slideshow for full list); we need to remember that our job is to inform parents and perhaps offer to send the letter - how will we gather information/opinions from other parents; how far do we want to push this?
- Suggestions to change or letter so it wasn't just the template - in hopes of receiving a response/make a difference
- Lisa & Chantel will work together to draft a letter should we choose to send it after gaining more representation from our school community - update will be provided at June Meeting

## **Fundraising**

### **TruLocal**

- We have sold 27 boxes which has raised \$860 so far
- “Last Call” post going out on local social media tonight or tomorrow morning and Erin will send this out on School Day as well - last day to order is May 31st.
- Final update and money earned will be provided to Parent Council & School Staff via email when Mel gets final numbers from Mitch
- Mel’s suggestion is to run this 2 - 3 times/year
- Feedback has been positive from quality, fast delivery to customer service etc.

### **Treasurer’s Report/Budget**

- No change at this time; final update will be provided at June Council

### **Principal’s Report**

- Welcome to Kindergarten - this will be provided via pre-recorded video that will show inside the school, outdoor areas and the educators will provide answers to the most common questions they get asked (e.g., backpacks, outdoor clothing etc.). The hope is to put it together and have it provided parents in the next couple of weeks
- Quiet hallways these days; we are hopeful for a return in June, but are also prepared for online for the rest of the year - lots of the summer cleaning has been done; school looks pristine!! Thanks to the custodial team!
- Teachers are appreciating parent feedback so keep sending it in and encouraging others to do so if they would like to

### **Next Meeting: Thursday June 17 @ 7:00 p.m.**

For June Agenda:

1. 2021-22 Fundraising Preparation
2. Discussion re: events/guest speakers (e.g. There is \$ in the bank that could be used for an event/speaker that is not related to the grant; it’s available). One thought from this past year was Paul Davis (Internet Safety)
3. Continued discussion about the Proposal to Expand Access to Online Education
4. Discussion re: encouraging new members - what type of messaging can we have ready for the fall to invite parents?

Reach out to Chantel with other agenda items.